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Amendments to the Claims:

The present listing of the claims replaces all past listings of the claims:

Listing of claims:

Claim 1. (Cancelled)

Claim 2. (Previously Presented) The wound dressing of claim 11, wherein the moisture vapor pervious polyurethane matrix has been applied uniformly atop a carrier film.

Claim 3. (Cancelled)

Claim 4. (Currently Amended) A wound dressing comprising:

- a) a carrier film ~~covering~~,
- b) an adhesive layer which is applied uniformly to said carrier film, and
- c) a moisture vapor pervious polyurethane matrix disposed centrally in the adhesive layer,

wherein the adhesive layer surrounds and extends outwardly beyond the polyurethane matrix, and wherein the polyurethane matrix is beveled from a centrally disposed area of the wound dressing towards an edge of the adhesive layer.

Claim 5. (Previously Presented) The wound dressing of claim 11, wherein

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the carrier film comprises polyurethane, polyethylene, polypropylene, polyamide or polyester.

Claim 6. (Previously Presented) The wound dressing of claim 11, wherein the carrier film is between 60 and 80 μm in thickness.

Claim 7. (Previously Presented) The wound dressing of claim 11, wherein the adhesive layer comprises polyacrylate or rubber.

Claim 8. (Previously Presented) The wound dressing of claim 11, wherein the adhesive layer is between 35 and 50 μm in thickness in an edge region.

Claim 9. (Currently Amended) The wound dressing of claim 11, which is covered ~~over its entire width~~ with an adhesive rejecting carrier material over at least those exposed portions of the adhesive layer that surrounds and extends outwardly beyond the polyurethane matrix.

Claim 10. (Previously Presented) The wound dressing of claim 11, wherein the polyurethane matrix contains at least one pharmaceutically active substance.

Claim 11. (Currently Amended) A wound dressing comprising:
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- b) an adhesive layer which is applied uniformly to the carrier film, and
- c) a moisture vapor pervious polyurethane matrix disposed centrally in the adhesive layer,

wherein the adhesive layer surrounds and extends outwardly beyond the polyurethane matrix.

Claim 12. (Previously Presented) The wound dressing of claim 9, wherein the adhesive rejecting carrier material is siliconized paper.

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CONDITIONAL PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

If entry and consideration of the amendments above requires an extension of time, Applicants respectfully request that this be considered a petition therefor. The Commissioner is authorized to charge any fee(s) due in this connection to Deposit Account No. 14-1263.

ADDITIONAL FEE

Please charge any insufficiency of fees, or credit any excess, to Deposit Account No. 14-1263.